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FOR REDUCED-SHORTENING)
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the final Office action of October 2, 2002, the response for which is due December 2, 2002. Please amend and reconsider the above-referenced patent application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title as follows: COVERED STENT ASSEMBLY FOR REDUCED-SHORTENING DURING STENT EXPANSION